

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS22632

This legislation would codify the moratorium that has existed on outfitted turkey and waterfowl hunting since 1989. The moratorium on accepting and processing applications for outfitted turkey and waterfowl hunting was put in place to avoid the loss of public hunting access.

The Idaho Outfitters and Guides Licensing Board repealed the existing moratorium on November 13, 2013. This was done through the adoption of a policy, rather than rulemaking, which allowed the board's decision to evade legislative review, contrary to the Idaho Administrative Procedures Act.

This legislation would reverse the board's decision and codify the 25-year moratorium on outfitted turkey and waterfowl hunting that the hunting public has come to rely upon.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation has no fiscal impact on the general fund.

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